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1995 ASSEMBLY BILL 446

June 20, 1995 - Introduced by Representatives Albers, Goetsch, Hahn and Ainsworth, Referred to Committee on Rural Affairs.

- AN ACT to create 32.035 (3m) and 32.035 (5) (h) of the statutes; relating to: the preparation of agricultural impact statements by the department of agriculture, trade and consumer protection.
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Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Under current law, the department of agriculture, trade and consumer protection (DATCP) prepares an agricultural impact statement (AIS) for certain condemnation projects affecting farm operations. Upon completing the impact statement, DATCP must distribute it to the governor's office; the senate and assembly committees on agriculture and transportation; all local and regional units of government that have jurisdiction over the project; local and regional news media in the affected area; libraries in the affected area; any individual, group, club or committee that has demonstrated an interest and has requested receipt of such information; and the condemnor.

This bill directs DATCP, before preparing an AIS, to notify each owner of property that may be taken for the project that DATCP may prepare an AIS. The notice must inform the owner that he or she may submit information to DATCP on the potential effects of the project. The bill also directs DATCP, upon completing the impact statement, to distribute it to each owner of property that may be taken for the project.

For further information see the **state** fiscal estimate, which will be printed as an appendix to this bill.

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

32.035 (3m) Notice to owner. Upon receiving notice from the condemnor
under sub. (3), the department shall notify each owner of property that may be taken
for the project that the department may prepare an agricultural impact statement
for the project. The notice shall inform each owner that he or she may submit
information to the department on the potential effects of the project.
Section 2. 32.035 (5) (h) of the statutes is created to read:
32.035 (5) (h) Each owner of property that may be taken for the project.
SECTION 3. Initial applicability.
(1) This act first applies to projects for which the department of agriculture,
trade and consumer protection receives notice under section 32.035 (3) of the statutes
on the effective date of this subsection.

(END)